The Florida Senate

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

EDUCATION PRE-K - 12 Senator Wise, Chair Senator Bullard, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Thursday, April 14, 2011

TIME: 9:15 —10:45 a.m.

PLACE: 301 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Wise, Chair; Senator Bullard, Vice Chair; Senators Gardiner, Alexander, Benacquisto, and

Montford

| TAB | BILL NO. and INTRODUCER | BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS | COMMITTEE ACTION |
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| 1 | CS/SB 276 Governmental Oversight and Accountability / Bennett (Compare H 135) | Procurement; Requires that the Chief Financial Officer review and conduct an analysis of the procurement process for the design, build, and maintenance of state buildings and facilities. Requires that the Chief Financial Officer submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date. Authorizes a governmental agency or school board to reopen negotiations with a selected firm following termination of negotiations with other firms. | Temporarily Postponed |
| | | GO 02/08/2011 Fav/CS ED 04/14/2011 Temporarily Postponed BC | |
| 2 | SB 508 Bogdanoff (Compare CS/H 733) | Tax on Sales, Use, and Other Transactions; Establishes an annual 3-day sales tax holiday within which sales taxes are not collected on certain clothing, computers, and school supplies. Provides for the adoption of rules. ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS BC RC | Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
| 3 | CS/SB 578 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs / Ring (Similar H 697, S 1262) | Disability Awareness; Requires district school boards to provide disability history and awareness instruction in all K-12 public schools during the first week in October. Requires certified individuals in disability awareness or teachers who specialize in exceptional student education to provide such instruction. Requires the Governor's Commission on Disabilities to initiate a study on training in disability awareness to be conducted by a private nonprofit entity. Requires the commission to promote such training in all public entities in the state. Requires the commission to adopt rules, etc. CF 03/22/2011 Fav/CS ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS | Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0 |

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| 4 | SB 700 Siplin (Similar H 309) | Education; Authorizes district school boards to adopt resolutions that allow prayers of invocation or benediction at secondary school events. Provides legislative intent. Provides for severability. ED 03/30/2011 Temporarily Postponed ED 04/05/2011 Temporarily Postponed ED 04/14/2011 Favorable JU RC | Favorable Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
| 5 | SB 778 Diaz de la Portilla (Compare CS/CS/H 307) | District School Board Membership; Requires that district school boards consist of nine members in counties where the population exceeds a certain number. Provides for single-member and at-large districts. Provides for the election of a chair and vice chair of the school board. ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS EE RC | Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 2 |
| 6 | SB 788 Diaz de la Portilla (Identical H 417) | Public School Educational Instruction; Requires district school boards to designate one month of the school year to celebrate the Founding Fathers of the United States of America and the principles inherent in the country's founding documents. Specifies the focus of instruction during the designated month. Provides that instruction may be integrated into the existing school curriculum. ED 04/14/2011 Favorable BC | Favorable Yeas 5 Nays 0 |
| 7 | SB 922 Flores (Identical H 729) | Florida Education Finance Program; Requires that the Department of Education enter into a contract with an entity located outside the state to conduct a study and review of the Florida Education Finance Program and recommend any improvements that may be necessary. Requires that the department submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor by a specified date, etc. ED 04/14/2011 Favorable RC BC | Favorable Yeas 2 Nays 1 |

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| 8 | SB 1062 Hill (Similar H 375) | Veterans' Day; Requires school districts to observe Veterans' Day. Prohibits holding classes on that day and provides an exception. Requires the date of the Veterans' Day observance to correspond to the federal holiday. | Favorable Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
| | | MS 03/17/2011 Favorable ED 04/14/2011 Favorable CA | |
| 9 | CS/SB 1430 Regulated Industries / Altman (Compare CS/H 891) | Regulation of Smoking; Authorizes a district school board to adopt rules prohibiting any person from smoking tobacco on or in any district-owned or district-leased facility or property during a specified time of the day. Provides an exception to the state preemption of the regulation of smoking in the state. RI 03/16/2011 Fav/CS ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS | Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
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| 10 | SB 1550 Negron (Identical H 1225) | Education Savings Account Program; Specifies criteria for students who are eligible to participate in the program. Identifies certain students who may not participate in the program. Provides that a parent may direct a financial institution trustee of his or her child's account to use the funds for specified costs of attending a private school or participating in a dual enrollment program or to make a contribution to the child's college savings plan or a payment to a contract under the Stanley G. Tate Florida Prepaid College Program, etc. | Favorable Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
| | | ED 04/14/2011 Favorable HE BC | |
| 11 | SB 2036 Braynon (Similar H 1377, H 1461) | Uniform Traffic Control; Authorizes school districts to deploy school bus traffic infraction detectors under certain circumstances. Provides for use of school bus traffic infraction detectors to enforce specified provisions requiring a person driving a vehicle to stop when approaching a school bus displaying a stop signal. Authorizes the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to authorize a traffic infraction enforcement officer to issue and enforce a citation for a violation of such provisions, etc. | Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
| | | TR 04/05/2011 Favorable ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS BC | |

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| 12 | SB 1656 Wise (Compare CS/H 1329) | McKay Scholarships/Students With Disabilities; Makes John M. McKay Scholarship available to students with disabilities who have a 504 accommodation plan issued under s. 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act or a Tier 3 Response to Intervention plan developed by the public school of attendance and consistent with rules of the State Board of Education. Allows a parent to request and receive a scholarship for a student to enroll and attend a private school if the student has a 504 accommodation plan. Provides for scholarship amounts when a student is eligible for scholarship funds, etc. ED 04/14/2011 Fav/CS BC | Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0 |
| 13 | SB 2172 Education Pre-K - 12 | District School Board Members; Removes provisions relating to base salary and additional compensation for a district school board member. Prohibits district school board members from receiving more than a \$100 stipend per school board meeting. Provides that the stipend does not constitute compensation for retirement purposes. Provides reimbursement for travel expenses. Prohibits district school board members from receiving any compensation while serving. Provides for application, etc. ED 04/14/2011 Unfavorable BC | Unfavorable Yeas 1 Nays 2 |